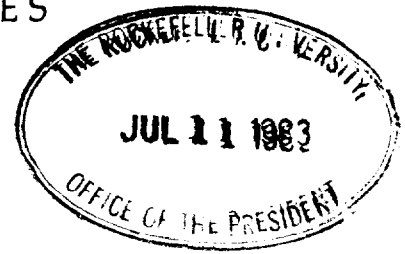


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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
President
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Dear Josh:

I am pleased to confirm your appointment to the Committee on International Security and Arms Control for a three-year term commencing on July 1, 1983.

This Committee, which is chaired by Dr. Marvin Goldberger, is the focal point of Academy activities in the field of international security and arms control. As you can see from the attached membership list, the Committee brings together an unusually well qualified group with great technical knowledge and experience in the field.

The Committee has a very broad charter, as set forth in the attached terms of reference from its organization in 1980, to pursue a variety of activities relating to international security and arms control. Currently, the Committee is focusing its attention primarily on a continuing series of private informal meetings with a similar group from the Soviet Academy of Sciences on a broad agenda of issues relating to international security and arms control. These meetings are held semi-annually on a rotating basis between Washington and Moscow. I consider these meetings, which have been judged very useful by all of the participants, to be one of the most important activities of the Academy.

As with other Academy activities, your participation on this Committee will be strictly as an individual and not as a representative of any organization. Members of Academy Committees serve voluntarily and without compensation. The Academy will reimburse you for transportation and other allowable expenses incidental to travel and itemized subsistence and accommodation costs. I am enclosing the standard statement, entitled "On Potential Sources of Bias," and ask that the form be returned to my office with your letter of acceptance of appointment.

If you have any questions about your appointment or other matters relating to the Committee, I suggest that you contact the Chairman or Spurgeon M. Keeny, Jr., Scholar-in-Residence at the Academy, who will be glad to fill you in on the background and future plans of the Committee.

I want to thank you for undertaking this additional responsibility in this area of great importance to all of us. I am confident that you will make a significant contribution to the work of the Committee and will find it an interesting and rewarding experience.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frank Press".

Frank Press
President